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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Draft House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI)
Report on Counterintelligence
and Security

HPSCI PARTICIPANTS:

Tom Latimer, Mike O'Neil,
Steve Berry, Dave Addington
Diane Dornan, and Bernie Raimo

INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY PARTICIPANTS

Ron Kline, FBI; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NSA; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ICS; [REDACTED]

CI/DO; and

[REDACTED] OCA

1. On 22 October 1986, the above mentioned representatives of the Intelligence Community met with the HPSCI staff to discuss the draft HPSCI report on Counterintelligence and Security. The purpose of the meeting was to persuade the HPSCI staff to recommend to their members that the report be classified, or that it be substantially rewritten to remove those parts of the report that would do harm to our ability to gather foreign intelligence if published. A secondary purpose of the meeting was to correct inaccurate information contained in the HPSCI report.

2. [REDACTED] began the meeting by noting that he was under instructions to communicate to the HPSCI the fact that we considered certain portions of the report classified and that the Community disagreed with the conclusions contained in the report. [REDACTED] then turned to [REDACTED] to explain which portions of the report were considered classified.

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15. Toward the end of the meeting, Mr. Latimer reflected back on his years of service in the Intelligence Community and noted that many years ago people took a more serious approach to security and enforcing the "need to know" principle. Mr. Latimer felt that the security standards had been weakened in recent years because of the increase in the amount of classification, number of people cleared, and the attitude that those who passed the polygraph could be trusted automatically. Mr. Latimer stated that the objections of the Intelligence Community to the report would be provided to the members after the election and that a decision would then be made on whether to release the report.

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